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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hubert METZNER et al.) Group Art Unit: 1654
Application No.: 09/809,021) Examiner: Michael V. Meller
Filed: March 16, 2001)
For: THROMBIN PREPARATIONS) Confirmation No.: 5147
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Applicants now reply to the Final Office Action mailed March 10, 2006, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. Note that the due date of June 10, 2006, falls on a Saturday, and thus this paper submitted on Monday, June 12, 2006 is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are presented in the listing of the claims section, beginning on the next page.

Remarks/Arguments follow the claim listing.